LIPS AGENTS AT PINERUSST.

Chird Annual Meeting of North Caro-ling Association Heid Yesterday-President Chartes W. Schovel, of National Association, a Guest of

cial to The Observer. Pinchurst, Feb. 16.—The Life Un-derwriters Association, of North Caro-lina, held its third annual meeting at the Carolina Hotel to-day. There was a large attendance and much enthusfasm was manifested. President H. R. Willoox, manager of the Mutual I lit of New York and Secretary P. D.

State Mutual Life, of Worcester, Mass., was elected president. R. Y. McPherson, of Raleigh, of the New Yorr Life, vice president, and P. D. Gold, Jr., general agent of the Provi-Jout Savings, secretary and treasurer. J. D. Boushall, general agent of the Actra Life, a member of the executive committee of the National Associa-tion, made a report of his visit to the Hartford convention as a delegate from this association.

The executive committee for the enming year will be Messrs. John C. Drewry, R. B. Raney, W. B. Allen, George A. Grimsley and J. J. Rogers. One of the most important, and far-reaching features of the meeting was the change of the plan of the organization allowing membership to other than general agents, opening the floor to any reputable representa-tive of legal reserve life insurance companies doing business in North Carolina. In the afternoon the members were given a drive over the vast Pinchurst estate and had the pleasure of witnessing the interesting finish of the annual St. Valentine's golf tournament

The banquet at the "Carolina" this evening in honor of President Schovel. of the National Association, did justice to the excellent cuisine of the hore; President Schovel in responding to the toast, "Our National Work," said that the great inshifu-tion of life insurance had been passing through the throes that herald a new era. The agents in their organ-ized capacity, he pointed out, were becoming a more important factor and they must take the broadest view of their duty first to themselves, puri-ry a!) field practices and second to help educate the public in the fundamental truths upon which life insur-ance must build this new era of yet wider usefulness to the family and

he community. Several members responded to spacches fitting to the occasion, John Drewry, of Raleigh, acting as toastmaster. The wives of several of the members graced the occasion with their presence and the session was unanimously voted one of the

LINCOLN'S ONLY DUEL.

How it Brought About His Marriage With Miss Todd.

St. Nicholas. Miss Todd soon singled out and held the admiration of such of the Spring-field beaux as pleased ther somewhat wilful fancy, and Lincoln, being much at the Edwards house, found himself, almost before he knew if, entangied in a new love affair. In the course of a tweivemonth he was engaged to marry her, but something, nobody knows what or how, happened to break the engagement, and to plunge him again in a very sea of wretched-ness.

I lite of New York and Secretary P. D. Goid, Jr., of Greensboro made their annual reports, showing the progress of the association during the past Jeny, which were most satisfactory. Mitharles W. Schovel, of Pittsburg. Pa. president of the National Associ-ation of Life Underwriters was the snest of homor. Af the morning meeting W. H. Mc-Cabe, of Durham, general agent of the State Mutual Life, of Worcester.

though far from happy. An affair that helped to bring the lovers together again is so out of keeping with the rest of his life that it would deserve mention for that reason if for no other. This is noth-ing less than Lincoln's first and only duel. It happened that James Shields, afterward a general in two wars and a Senator from two States, was at that time auditor of the State of Ill-nois, with his office at Springfield. He was a Democrat, and an Irishman by birth, with an Irishman's quick tem-per and readiness to take offence. He had given orders about collect-

per and readiness to take offence. He had given orders about collect-ing certain taxes which displeased the Whigs, and shortiy after Lincoln came back form Kentucky a series of humorous letters ridiculing the audi-tor and his order appeared in the Springfield paper, to the great amuse-ment of the townspeople and the fury of Shields. These letters were dated from the "Lost Townships." and were supposed to be written by a farmer's widow signing herself "Aunt Rebec-ca." The real writters were Miss Todd and a clever friend, who undertook them more for the purpose of poking fun at Shields than the party effect. In framing the political part of their attack, they had found it necessary to consult Lincoln, and he obligingly set them a pattern by writing the first

them a pattern by writing the first letter himself.

Shields sent to the editor of the paper to find out the name of the real "Rebecca." The editor, as in duty bound, consulted Láncoln, and was told to give Láncoln's name, but not to mention the ladies. Shields then sent Lincoln an angry challenge, and Lin-coln, who considered the whole affair ridiculous, and would willingly have explained his part in it if Shields had made a gentlemanly inquiry, chose as weapons "broadswords of the larger size" and named as conditions of the duel that, a plank ten feet long be firmly fixed on edge in the ground, as a line over which neither combatant was to pass his foot upon forfelt of

life. Next lines were to be drawn up-on the ground on each side of the plank, parallel with it, at the same distance of the whole length of the sword and three feet additional. The passing of his own line by either man was to be deemed a surrender of the fight.

was unanimously voted one of the most delightful ever held. HICKORY DEPOT. A. NUISANCE. Catawba County Jury Renders a Ver-dict to This Effect—End of a Long Legal Battle. Special to The Observer. Hickory, Feb. 16.—One of the greatest legal battles ever fought in this county came to an end last night when the jury rendered a ver-dict in the case of the city of Hick-



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Life Insurance Company Promoted —Death of Dr. D. A. Montgomery— Delightful Social Event.
Special to The Observer.
Burlington, Feb. 16.—Mrs. Lynn Banks Whitted entertained in a de-r lightful informal manner yesterday evening in honor of Miss Carrie An-derson, of Elon College, who is her guest for several weeks. The decora-tions for 'the occasion were of white a nd red carnations; delicious fruits were served. Those enjoying Mrs. Whitted's hospitality were: Misses Rosa Patterson, Myrtle Patterson, Salile and Bertha Cates, Beulak Petty; Famile Stebbins, Dora Teague, Daisy and Mrs. Roy L. Boyd; Messrs. Walt ter Cates. Summle Sharpe, Will H-mand Mrs. Roy L. Boyd; Messrs. Walt ter Cates. Summle Sharpe, Will H-mand Mrs. Roy L. Boyd; Messrs. Walt ter Cates. Summle Sharpe, Will H-son, Quincey Scott, and Ernest Patter-son.
Mr. C. L. Wright for several year; superintendent of the Life Insurance Company of Virginia at this place went to Oxførd yesterday for a brief will hold a position with the same company similar to that held here. During his stay in Burlington Mr.

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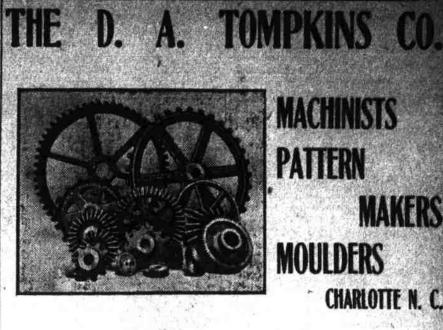
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New York, Feb. 16.-Flour-Quiet and lower. Rye flour-Steady. Buckwheat flour-Dull. Buckwheat-Nominal. Cornmeal-Barely steady. Rye-Nominal. Barley-Dull. Wheat-Weak: No. 2 red. 87% elevator; options showed ¼@5c. net loss: May, Sy; July, 83; September, 86, Corn-Weak; No. 2, 48 elevator; options, ¼c. net lower; May. 48%; July. 49½; Sep-tember, 49%. Oats-Weak; mixed, 34%. Beef-Steady. Cut meats-Firm; pickled bellies, 8½@ 9½; jickled finms, 9%@fl0%. Lard-Steady; refined, steady. Pork-Steady; refined, steady. Pork-Steady, unchanged. Cabbages-Quiet and unchanged. Preights-Steady, unchanged. Preights-Steady, unchanged. Preights-Steady, unchanged. Preights-Steady, unchanged. Butter-Firm; creamery, 16@27%. Cheese-Firm, unchanged. Eggs-Steady, unchanged. Rosin-Firm, 359@34.00. Turpentine-Steady. Rice-Quiet. Molasses-Steady. Rice-Quiet. Molasses-Steady. Coffee-Steady. at a net advance of 5 @10 points.

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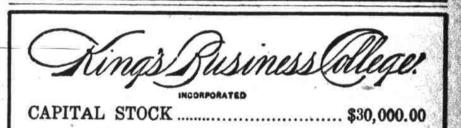


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dict in the case of the city of Hickory vs. the Southern Railway Company, declaring the present freight depot of the Southern Rallway, located at Hickory, to be a public nuisance. About three years ago the citisens of Hickory commended an action to get the freight deport moved from the centre of the town. The history of

the case since that time has been most interesting. An order was first socured from the corporation commision declaring the freight depot faclittles to be inadequate and commanding the railroad to furnish suitable facilities for the handling of freight. In compliance with this order the Southern proposed an exten-

sion to the present depot but this was not what the people of Hickory wanted and they applied to the court for a permanent injunction on the ground that the extension would be a public

nuisance, endangering the life and safety of the citizens of Hickory. Since the case went into the courts it has been to the Supreme Court twice and had resulted in a mistrial one time. The verdict last night was the cause of much gratification among the people of the county. The athern Railway was represented by Col. W. B. Rochman, S. J. Erwin and Witherspoon & Witherspoon, The of Hickory was represented by

Self & Whitener, Hufham & Williams and Cline & Mebane.

DEATH OF MR. WM. JEFFERIES.

Prominent Ckizen of Cherokee County, S. C., Expires Suddenly.

Precial to The Observer.

Gaffney, S. C., Feb. 16 .- This city was shocked and surprised to-day to arn of the death of Mr. William Jefferies which occurred near here very unexpectedly to-day. He was driving to the city from his residence Home, when he fell dead from his baggy He was within a mile of the city. His horse and buggy came on and were discovered and search began

for Mr. Jefferies. He was one of the most prominent man in Cherokee county and was well known throughout South Carolina. He was the first Senator from Chero-He was the first Senator from Chero-line when the new county was created and has represented Union county a number of times in the Legislature both before and after the war. He was a member of the well-known Wallace house. He has been a prominent business man of Gaffney since its infancy, assisting in the nam-ing, laying off the appraisng of the lots of, the city at its birth. He is survived by one sister and five chil-dren.

ren. The funeral services will probably se conducted Sunday as his sister, Wrs. Roseborough, who, resides in Florida, will be unable to reach the city until then.

Florenze wills descent blacks on the street care of the s

The affair created much talk and The death of Dr. D. A. Montgomery merriment in Springfield, but Lincoln occurred at the home of his daughter. more than comedy. By found it means of it he and Miss Todd were ton yesterday afternoon. Interment again brought together in friendly in- will be made to-day in Pine Hill Cemterviews, and on November 4, 1842, etery. Dr. Montgomery was a promi-they were married at the house of nent physician in this county for many Mr. Edwards.

He Disliked Foolishness.

"My dear," said the young father, there one request I want to make of you." "What is it dear?"

"I wish, dear, that you wouldn't talk this baby talk to our child. It's absurd. The idea of saying 'kitchy-kitchy-kee' and 'whose wizzicums is oo?' to a human being is little less than barbarous. Don't let the neighbors do it either."

"I'll try not to, dear," she answered, patiently, "But it seems to amuse Dorjy

much "Don't call him 'Dorjy,' either. It's posi-tively idiotic. His name's 'George', and there's no use of starting him out in life with a vocabulary like a Polynesian natio-

Mrs. L. E. Summers, in East Burlingyears; the last few years of his life were spent with his daughter, Mrs. Summers. He was related to Dr. H. M. Montgomery of this place, Mr. Jas.

Montgomery, of Graham.

there's no use of starting him out in life with a vocabulary like a Polynesian natio-nal hymn." "But ho's a little fretful to-day and "But ho's a little fretful to-day and "There are rational ways of amusing a child. You can sing to him." "I have been singing to him." "Well, give him to me, and I'll sing to him awhile." "She passed over the baby, and he pro-ceeded to do his best with the toreadors' song and the Bedouin love song and vari-ous other selections. The buby perdsted in whimpering. He continued to sing, and presently the little one began to smile. In a little while it was fast saleep. "You have quieted him beautifully." the mother admitted. "By the way, what was that song you asng over and over again? It seems so tuneful and lively." "Hawn't you heard that?" he queried in astonishment. "It's from the latest comic opers, and fis a corker. The cho-rus goes: "Toodiedy, foodledy, up-a-dee!

New Orleans, Feb. 16.—Secretary Hes-ter's statemnt of the world's visible sup-ply of cotton to-day shows the total visible to be 5,359,207. Of this, the total of American cotton is 3,765,207; and of of American conton is a, 100,507; and of all other kinds, including Egypt, Brazil, India, etc., 1,593,600. Of the world's visible supply of cotton, there is now affoat and held in Great Britain and continental Europe, 2,576,000; in India, 916,000, and in the United States, ,583,000.

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C. Montgomery, of Graham.
GOES TO WEST VIRGINIA.
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Rev. J. Roland Glenn, of Spray, Accepts Pastorate at Charlestown.
Correspondence of The Observer.
Spray, Feb. 15.—Rev. J. Roland
Glenn, formerly pastor of the Christian church at Winston-Salem, but recently doing evangelistic work in and around this city, preached his farewell sermon in the First Christian church last night to a large and attentive audience. Mr. Glenn will leave in a few days to accept the pastorate of the Christian church in Charlestown, W. Va. The people of this place regret very much to lose Mr. Glenn, as he is one of the brightest and ablest preachers that Spray has had in a good while.
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